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To Whom It May Concern:

An Application And Preliminary Decision For Water Quality TPDES Permit Renewal For Industrial Wastewater, Permit No. WQ0004244000 has been submitted by Southern Star Inc., 35518 Marshall Hutts Rd., Rio Hondo TX 78583-3443 to your office. An Application And Preliminary Decision For Quality TPDES Permit Amendment for Industrial Wastewater, Permit No. WQ0003596000 by Taiwan Shrimp Village Assoc Inc and Arroyo Aquaculture Assoc., Inc, 36386 Marshall Hutts Rd, Rio Hondo TX 78583 has also been submitted to your office.

Per the instruction in the public announcements in the Valley Morning Star Newspaper dated Monday September 11, 2006 and Tuesday September 12, 2006, I am requesting a public meeting be held to discuss some issues and concerns that I have regarding the requests filed by the shrimp farms. I have several questions that I would like addressed to resolve my concerns.

Respectfully submitted

Arroyo City TX Resident

Office of the Chief Clerk MC105 TCEQ PO Box 13087 Austin, Tx 78711-3087 SEP 2 9 2006 BY

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Re: Permit No. WQ0003596000 Taiwan Shrimp Village Asst., Inc 36386 Marshall Hutts Road Rio Hondo, Texas 78583

Sirs:

I am requesting a public meeting in regard to the above permit number and their request to amend said permit to allow releases into the Arroyo Colorado 365 days of the year and to reduce the sampling frequencies.

These measures would adversely affect the water quality of the Arroyo Colorado.

Thanks you,

Joyce Armstrong

1902 E. Washington #21 Harlingen, Texas 78550

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December 10, 2002

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Office of the Chief Clerk MC 105 TCEQ P.O. Box 13087 Austin, TX 78711-3087

RE: Taiwan Shrimp Village Association Inc and Arroyo Aquaculture Association 36386 Marshall Hutts Road Rio Hondo, TX 78583 Permit No. 03596 Application for change

Dear Sir:

We request a public meeting on the above mentioned Application for Change to Permit No. 03596. We would like to be more informed on the consequences of the proposed change.

Our mailing address is as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Mario Benavides P.O. Box 839 Olmito, TX 78575

Sincerely,

Maria Benavides

Anne Benavides

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January 13, 2003

Paul H. Bergh 1615 Violet St. McAllen, TX 78504

Office of the Chief Clerk - MC105 - TCEQ P.O. Box 13087 Austin, TX 78711-3087

Re: Permit 03596

As per instructions contained in your mailing reference the above permit, I am requesting a public meeting be held at the earliest possible date to discuss the reasons for the request to amend the said permit and further to discuss the impacts of the granting of the request.

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Paul H. Bergh



TCEQ Public Meeting Form

Thursday, November 16, 2006

Taiwan Shrimp Village Assoc. Inc. & Arroyo Aquaculture Assoc. Inc. Proposed Water Quality Permit WQ0003596000

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Nov. 16, 2006

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AT PUBLIC MEETING

Re: Public Meeting

Proposed Permit # WQ0003596000 Taiwan Shrimp Village Association – Arroyo Aquaculture

I own property in Arroyo City, Tx., located approximately 500' downstream from Outfall 002 referenced in the proposed permit. I am opposed to the proposed revisions as stated in the draft permit, however I do understand the purposes for the requested changes. After consultation with TSVA, TP&W and TCEQ personnel it is my understanding that the main goal is to seek latitude in the annual discharge period in order to stay within permitted limits. TSVA also indicated that they would be willing to "trade months" in order to meet not only their goals but also to satisfy the original permit limits that called for three consecutive months "of rest" for the Arroyo, following harvest and before restocking begins. Therefore, I would suggest that the draft permit be revised to allow discretionary discharge during the months of January or February provided that discharges are prohibited for an equal time during the last half of the preceding year.

I would also like to say that since the original permit was granted in 1995 following the contested case hearings. I believe that the farms have made a sincere effort, with mostly satisfactory results, to comply with the permit limits and I believe that the permit has largely been protective of the Arroyo. It has not been a perfect record but overall it has been satisfactory. That being said, however, I do believe that there are other resident concerns that have not been adequately addressed by the farms or T.C.E.Q; namely the flies and the smell. Both are very bad at times during the year and need to be addressed. Additionally, I believe there is an opportunity to further improve the situation by relocating discharge points 001 and 002 to a point east of the farms and to channel the discharge water to a as yet to be constructed wetlands within an area of the Laguna Atascosa Wildlife refuge known as Parker Lake. I believe that the farm's pumping facilities could serve to pump needed water to the constructed wetlands and that the discharge waters from farming operations could "piggy back" on the supply water. The benefits would be additional valuable habitat for the refuge and the wetlands themselves could serve to treat the farms discharge water. Additionally it would remove the farm discharge out from in front of the private properties, give the farms additional discharge capacity with which to improve their productivity and market competitiveness, and provide valuable wildlife habitat. Additionally I suggest that there are probably grant moneys that could be procured with which to fund the project.

Paul H. Bergh

Sincerely,

1615 Violet St.

McAllen, TX 78504

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN A WATER QUALITY PERMIT AMENDMENT

PERMIT NO. 03596

APPLICATION. Taiwan Shrimp Village Association Inc. and Arroyo Aquaculture Association, Inc., 36386 Marshall Hutts Road, Rio Hondo, Texas 78583, which operates an aquaculture facility, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) amend Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. 03596 (EPA I.D. No. TX0103811) to authorize a change in "Other Requirements" No. 6 to allow for year round discharge. The facility is located on the south side of Farm-to-Market Road 2925 and approximately 1.7 miles east of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 2925 and Farm-to-Market Road 1847 near the City of Arroyo City, Cameron County, Texas. The discharge route is from the plant site to a drainage ditch; thence to the Arroyo Colorado Tidal. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on April 30, 2002. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at the Harlingen Public Library, 410 76 Drive, Harlingen, Texas.

The application is subject to the goals and policies of the Texas Coastal Management Program and must be consistent with the applicable Coastal Management Program goals and policies.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After completion of the technical review, the TCEQ will issue a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. The TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

Written public comments or requests for public meeting must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087.

ADDITIONAL NOTICE. After technical review of the application is complete, the executive director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list or the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the executive director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

MAILING LIST. In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. You may request to be added to: (1) the mailing list for this specific application; (2) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (3) the permanent mailing list for a specific county. Clearly specify which mailing list(s) to which you wish to be added and send your request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Unless you otherwise specify, you will be included only on the mailing list for this specific application.

INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.TCEQ.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Taiwan Shrimp Village Association Inc. and Arroyo Aquaculture Association, Inc., at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Yuan-shin Kou at 956-748-2302.

Issued: November 20, 2002

Bond Cosby

Monday, October 09, 2006

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Office of the Chief Clerk

Box 13087

Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Dear Sir

Please be advised I am opposed to permit No wq003596000 (Taiwan Shrimp Village Association Inc.)

I own a home at 37007 Marshall Hutts Rd, just down stream of where this waste water will be dumped. Our water is already discolored and barely suitable for activities such as water skiing and swimming. My fishing guide tells me that when these dumps occur bait fish and shrimp disappear for many months.

Please do not allow our water to become any more polluted than it already is.

Sincerely,

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Executive Director

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- 3. They do not have dedicated settling ponds. They are using drainage ditches & drained grow out ponds.
- 4. Another concern is self reporting (fox in the hen house?).
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- 12. What happens to the sludge from the bottom of the ponds?
- 13. And, lastly, the Lower Laguna Madre is the most pristine bay in Texas. Anything that can be done to keep it that way should be done.

Sincerely,

Jack Gibson

Copies to: Cameron County Commissioner Edna Tamayo

State Senator Eddie Lucio, II

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Gentlemen.

My wife and I have been weekend residents of Arroyo City for the past 10 years. We recently retired and hope to spend more time there in our retirement years.

After the receipt of your Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision for Water Quality letter from August 31, I feel I must respond.

We strongly object to allowing the Arroyo Aquaculture Asso. Inc dump more water than they are currently permitted to dump in to the Arroyo Colorado.

This area has changed; homes are being built where shacks use to stand. Improvements are being made daily to upgrade the quality of life in the area.

When the Shrimp Farms dumps their water into the Arroyo Colorado it makes a mess of the waterway. The water becomes muddy and smelly. Fishing is almost nonexistent from the piers along the arroyo. Water releases also silts in the channel as well as the bank on the south side.

We feel they should be made to stay within their permits now and look for another way to get rid of wastewater. As it is now they dump more wastewater than city of Harlingen ,San Benito La Feria all put together.

Do we need a hearing on this? Yes Should the shrimp farm be permitted to dump year around? NO.

Please have a public meeting. Let us hear why they should be permitted to dump more at will.

Our property is located approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ mi.east from junction farm road 1847 & 2925 on Marshall Hutts Road in Arroyo City, Texas. The propriety is in the name of Alba Jo & James F Guffey.

Please send me any information on the proceedings regarding this issue

James F Guffey 2905 Bay Hill Ct. Harlingen TX 78550

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER QUALITY TPDES PERMIT AMENDMENT FOR INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER

PERMIT NO WQ0003596000

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. Taiwan Shrimp Village Association Inc. and Arroyo Aquaculture Association, Inc., 36386 Marshall Hutts Road, Rio Hondo. Texas 78583; which operate an aquaculture facility which produces shrimp, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a major amendment to TPDES Permit No. WQ0003596000 to remove the prohibition of discharge from the facility during the months of January through March and to revise the Arroyo Colorado Water Quality Study requirement to reduce influent and effluent sampling frequencies. The current permit authorizes the discharge of process wastewater (pond effluent) at a combined daily average flow not to exceed 100,000,000 gallons per day via Outfalls 001 and 002. This application was submitted to the TCEQ on April 30, 2002.

The facility is located on the south side of Farm-to-Market Road 2925 and approximately 1.4 miles east of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 2925 and Farm-to-Market 1897 in the City of Arroyo City, Cameron County, Texas. The effluent is discharged via Outfall 001 directly to the Arroyo Colorado Tidal; and via Outfall 002 to a drainage ditch; thence to the Arroyo Colorado Tidal in Segment No. 2201 of the Nueces-Rio Grande Coastal Basin. The unclassified receiving waters have high aquatic life use for the unnamed drainage ditch. The designated uses for Segment No. 2201 are high aquatic life use and contact recreation. No significant degradation of high quality receiving waters is anticipated.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at the Harlingen Public Library, 410.76 Drive, Harlingen, Jexas.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Localitic Director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding a mater to a continuous states district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST: your name; address, phone; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility: a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are germane to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all approable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LIST. If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desca información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.TCEQ.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Taiwan Shrimp Village Association Inc. and Arroyo Aquaculture Association, Inc. at the address stated above or by Mr. Michael Chen of the Arroyo Aquaculture Association at (956) 748-2302.

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Thursday, November 16, 2006

Taiwan Shrimp Village Assoc. Inc. & Arroyo Aquaculture Assoc. Inc. Proposed Water Quality Permit WQ0003596000

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Mr.and Mrs. Gary Herridge

37415 Marshall Hutts Rd. Rio Hondo, TX 78583-3463 Home Phone 956-748-4267

October 02, 2006

Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ
P. O. Box 13087
Austin TX 78711-3087

To Whom It May Concern:

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This written notice concerns information received on Permit No. WQ0003596000 and Permit No. WQ0004244000.

This past Saturday along with numerous neighbors we attended the public meeting concerning these permits. The shrimp farms provide us with good shrimp and this is not the issue. The thing that bothers this household is that the farms are permitted to monitor their own discharge into the Arroyo Colorado. We moved here last December and therefore have no knowledge of their operation prior to that time.

Every morning my husband goes down to the dock and throws his cast net and catches little bait for our 3 cats. When the shrimp farm discharged its water there were no more little bait for the cats. I have no idea what happened to them as I didn't see them floating on the water, dead. Before the shrimp farms discharged water this year we saw dolphins almost on a day to day basis. Finally yesterday my husband saw dolphin in the water again. There is still no bait for the cats as of this morning.

There are numerous neighbors that voiced the fact that they would be willing to monitor the discharge, honestly and fairly next year if the TCEQ would train them in the proper manner to do the sampling. Everyone knows the shrimp farms are growing shrimp, however, we are not aware of the date they start filling the Arroyo Colorado with their waste water. The only way we know is by the water, color and "stuff" in it.

We are in no way saying that the shrimp farms are the only polluters of the Arroyo Colorado. I know personally about the city of San Benito pumping waste water into the Arroyo without a permit a couple years ago. I do feel that if enough citizens speak up then someone will listen. So we are speaking up today.

It isn't right to let the shrimp farms monitor their own discharge.

Why pump waste water out from Jan. through March? Are they going to hold back the bottom trash? Things don't disappear, at least not to my knowledge. This doesn't seem to mean anything to me. I can't see the difference in whether they dump in Sept. or Feb. I just do not see holding onto dirty water, sorry. Looks to me like it is still going to get into the Arroyo. I am in favor of recycling this water into their ponds and cleaning the water. It might be more costly to do this but in the long run it is more environmentally conscious. I don't need to hear about making a profit. I understand about competition in the market place but not at the price of polluting the Arroyo.

Sincerely,

Mr. & Mrs. Gary Herridge

Mis Helen Herridge



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Thursday, November 16, 2006

Taiwan Shrimp Village Assoc. Inc. & Arroyo Aquaculture Assoc. Inc. Proposed Water Quality Permit WQ0003596000

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Taiwan Shrimp Village Assoc. Inc. & Arroyo Aquaculture Assoc. Inc. Proposed Water Quality Permit WQ0003596000

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Office of the Chief Clerk, TCEQ, Mail Code MC-105, P.O. Box 13087 Austin, TX 78711-3087

AT PUBLIC MEETING

RE: Proposed Permit No. WQ 0003596000

My Name is Bud Koch

I represent the Arroyo City Advisory Committee, which was appointed and organized by County Commissioner Edna Tamayo. The committee serves as a support system in improving the quality of life for all members of the community.

THE POSITION THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE HAS TAKEN REGARDING TSVA SHRIMP FARM PROPOSED PERMIT IS AS FOLLOWS:

KEEP THE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS AS THEY CURRENTLY EXIST.

AND

REQUIRE THE SHRIMP FARM TO HIRE AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR TO MONITOR AND RECORDING WITH REGARD TO WATER DISCHARGES.

Bud Koch,

Arroyo City Advisory Board

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Advisory Committee

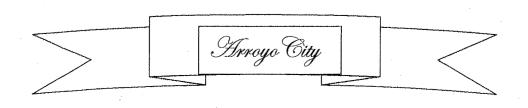
The Arroyo City Advisory Committee was appointed and organized by County Commissioner Edna Tamayo for the purpose of developing a process to communicate with the community. An effort was made to appoint a cross section of citizens from the community.

The committee serves as a support system in improving the quality of life for all members of the community.

There is no law and/or obligation by a commissioner to form these committees.

I personally choose to do so in order to better serve my constituents.

Please contact me at 956-427-8069 if further information is needed.





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"A Name You Can Trust"

(956) 748-3540 (Ofc.)

(956) 748-3153 (Fax)

Linda Koch

CRS, GRI, Broker

Pelican Pointe Development

36153 Marshall Hutt Rd. Arroyo City/Rio Hondo,TX 78583-3450

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RE: Proposed Permit No. WQ 0003596000 Taiwan Shrimp Village Assoc. AT PUBLIC MEETING

My name is Linda Koch, my husband and I have been property owners in Arroyo City since 1984 and full time residents since 1989. Our previous residence, from 1984 to 1993 was adjacent to the shrimp farm discharge into the Arroyo Colorado. Our current residence, from 1993 until the present is across the street and other property owned by us is adjacent to the subject shrimp ponds. Not only do we live in Arroyo City full-time, but our Businesses are located there, less than 500 feet from the ponds.

I am a Real Estate Broker and Owner of STR Properties located in Arroyo City since 1989. What use to be a sleepy fishing village of fishing cottages and second home get-aways has developed into not only vacation homes but permanent residences. The price of homes now ranges from one hundred thousand to over one million dollars.

Since the shrimp farm is here, it is imperative that they operate within the perimeters of their permit. Property owners have large investments and will not tolerate or ignore non-compliance of the permit. Best management practices and maintenance cannot be avoided. Maintaining the levees around the ponds and lowering of water in ponds prior to an impending hurricane is mandatory. As we have recently seen in New Orleans, the damage caused by hurricane Katrina was not as great as the wall of water and flooding from the levees breach around Lake Pontchartrain. It is not only the responsibility of the farm but the Agencies as well to monitor and enforce the requirements of the permit and not allow degradation to our natural resources and environment.

Thank you for your time.

Linda Koch, CRS, GRI, Broker

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To:

Director

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Date:

September 24, 2006

Re:

Taiwan Shrimp Village Association

Permit No WQ0003596000

I would like to request a public meeting in regard to the above permit.

There are many environmental issues that need to be considered before any wastewater is diverted into the Arroyo Colorado.

We need more clean-up effort, not more 'pollution.'

Sincerely,

Patricia Saleh

36491 Marshall Hutts Road

Rio Hondo TX 78583

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Office of the Chief Clerk MC 105 TCEO P.O. Box 13087 Austin, TX 78711-3087

September 30, 2006

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To Whom It May Concern:

An Application and Preliminary Decision for Water Quality TPDES Permit Renewal for Industrial Wastewater, Permit No. WQ0004244000 has been submitted by Southern Star Inc., 35518 Marshall Hutts Rd., Rio Hondo, TX 78583-3443 to your office. An Application and Preliminary Decision for Quality TPDES Permit Amendment for Industrial Wastewater, Permit No. WQ0003596000 by Taiwan Shrimp Village Assoc Inc and Arroyo Aquaculture Assoc., Inc, 36386 Marshall Hutts Rd., Rio Hondo, TX has also been submitted to your office.

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Respectfully submitted,

Bob & Donna Swinnea

37797 Murchall Huffs Rd

Roxondo Tx 28583
City State Zip

The following are ways I will be affected:

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EDNA TAMAYO

CAMBRON COUNTY COMMISSIONER PILLCINCT 4

PHONE (956) 427-8069 FAX (956) 427-8071

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CAMERON COUNTY BUILDING 201 NourieT Stiller HARLINGEN, TIXAS 78550

September 28, 2006

Ms. Lorenda Gardner Regional Director Texas Commission Or Environmental Quality 1804 West Jefferson Avenue Harlingen, Texas 78550

Ms. Gardner:

This is a request for a public meeting in reference to

Southern Star Inc. 35518 Marshall Hutts Road Rio Hondo, Texas 72583 Permit#: WQ0 304244000

Taiwan Shrimp Village Association, Inc. Arroyo Aquaculture Association 36386 Marshall Hutts Road Rio Hondo, Texas 78583 Permit# WQ0003596000

The arrachment is a list of members in my advisory committee for Arroyo City.

The community members have serious concerns and warn an opportunity to voice those CONCEMS.

I look forward to working with you in regards to this request

Sincerely,

Cameron County Commissioner Pct. 4

Attachment

Arroyo City Advisory Committee Members

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Shirley Anderson 33935 FM 2925 Rio Hondo, Texas 78583

Nita Io Graves V.
3 5950 Marshall Hutts
Rio Hondo, Texas 78583

Minnie Martinez / 14860 Ataucosa Drive Rio Hondo, Texas 78583

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Rosie Salinas 3010 Lazy Lake Drive Harlingen, Texas 78550

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37515 Rio Loop Road
Rio Hondo, Texas 78583

Jack & Jo Gibson" 35487 Marshall Hutts Road Rio Hondo, Texas 78583

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September 20, 2006

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T.C.E.Q. Office of the Chief Clerk By Fax to 512-239-3311

Tom Traylor 10203 Longmont Houston, TX 77042 3/2

RE:

Wastewater Discharge permit #WQ0003596000 Arroyo Aquaculture Assn./Taiwan Shrimp Village Arroyo City, TX

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a property owner in Arroyo City. My Property is located approximately 500' east or downstream of Outfalls #1 & #2 referenced in the permit. Discharge waters from this facility affect the value of my property and the quiet enjoyment of the same, and have the potential of harming the surrounding environment and the fish and wildlife therein.

Therefore, as prescribed by T.C.E.Q. rules, and as mentioned in the Notice of Application, I am requesting a public meeting to discuss the application.

Sincerely,

Tom Traylor

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Office of the Chief Clerk MC 105 TCEQ P. O. Box 13087 Austin TX 78711-3087 PM OPA SEP 2 7 2006

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